

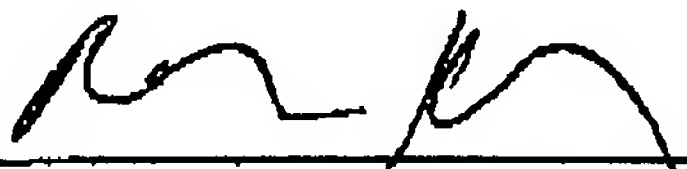
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 2, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below, and consider the remarks which follow:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.